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Briefs on Geographic Research Area Production, 1956

Office of the Chief, Geographic Research Area

Production: NA

Illustrative Example: NA

Geography Division

Production: 157 reports

Illustrative Example:

UNAF and the clandestine services have a continuing need for geographic studies of foreign areas that are suitable for use in evasion and escape indoctrination. A priority study of this type, completed in 1956, was

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Cartography Division

Production: 1143 maps and charts.

Illustrative Example:

The cartographic support of National Intelligence Estimates is a division responsibility of great importance. A typical project in this category during 1956 was the preparation of 21 maps and 3 charts that graphically portrayed the capabilities of various types of Soviet aircraft in operations against the North American continent.

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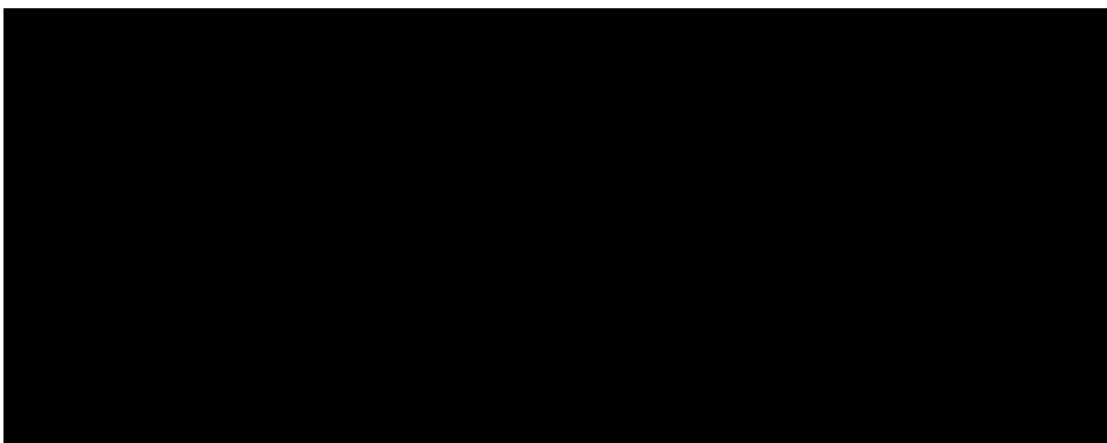
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Map Library Division

Production: 49,718 maps procured
10,997 publications procured

Illustrative Example:

In its function as Inter-departmental Coordinator for the procurement of foreign maps, the Map Library periodically sends



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Photographic Intelligence Division

Production: 87 reports

Illustrative Example:

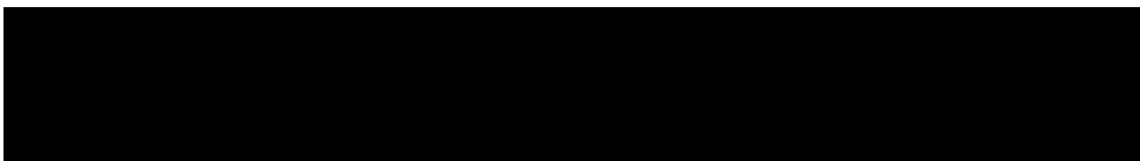
In support of CIA operational and current intelligence reporting requirements, photo intelligence officers make a detailed study of all



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Facts obtained from this study are then compared with available documentary information and conclusions drawn as to the military and economic intentions and capabilities of the Chinese Communists. One such study undertaken in 1956 was OP/I-236, which reports



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